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Ms. Marlene Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Reply Comments DA 12-1863, IB Docket No. 12-340; RM-11683

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I'm always on the go and it's important for me, both professionally as a message therapist and personally as a wife, mother and friend, to stay connected. I'm regularly on my computer, iPad, or smartphone streaming data but the current broadband networks in place are just too expensive. We need LightSquared because it'll add more capacity to our nation's mobile broadband networks, generate helpful competition and ultimately lower costs for consumers like us.

As the comments filed in the proceedings reveal, there is almost universal agreement that the FCC should facilitate the use of limited spectrum resources and move forward with LightSquared's proposal to bring a significant chunk of spectrum to bear in the provision of a wholesale-only nationwide 4G mobile broadband network. As many parties noted, LightSquared's wholesale provision of this service opens up this spectrum for not just one competitor, but almost an infinite number of current and potential players in the wireless market.

For example, the Competitive Carriers Association says that its members' need more usable spectrum and that LightSquared has indicated that it will offer its wholesale capacity "at rates lower than current prevailing rates, also promises to provide another way for smaller carriers to offer high-speed service capable of competing with the nation's two largest wireless providers." As someone who is constantly connected both personally and professionally, it is abundantly clear that LightSquared's network can lower costs for all wireless consumers.

We all use broadband. But LightSquared's vision for a wholesale-only mobile broadband network can make a difference in everyone's pocketbook by alleviating the expense.

Sincerely,
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